

# STATE OF MICHIGAN RUTH JOHNSON, SECRETARY OF STATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANSING

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN STATEWIDE BALLOT PROPOSAL STATUS AUGUST 5, 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION

NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION

## I. STATEWIDE PROPOSALS QUALIFIED TO APPEAR ON AUGUST 5, 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT

**A. PUBLIC ACT 80 OF 2014:** Legislative referendum (invoked pursuant to MI Const. Art. IV, §34).

**Purpose:** The purpose of the referendum is to approve or disapprove Public Act 80 of 2014, which allocates use tax revenue for various local purposes.

**Status:** Assigned designation of 14-1. The full text of the proposal and ballot language is set forth in the legislation (Enrolled Senate Bill No. 822 of 2014), available at: <a href="http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2014-SB-0822">http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2014-SB-0822</a>.

## II. STATEWIDE PROPOSALS QUALIFIED TO APPEAR ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

**A. KEEP MICHIGAN WOLVES PROTECTED:** Referendum petition approved as to form January 17, 2013.

**Purpose:** Referendum of Public Act 520 of 2012, which authorizes the establishment of the first open hunting season for wolves.

**Status:** Petition filed March 27, 2013; certified by Board of State Canvassers on May 22, 2013.

**Contact:** Keep Michigan Wolves Protected, 5859 West Saginaw Highway No. 273, Lansing, Michigan 48917

**B. KEEP MICHIGAN WOLVES PROTECTED:** Referendum petition approved as to form July 12, 2013.

**Purpose:** Referendum of Public Act 21 of 2013, which authorizes the Natural Resources Commission to add certain animals to the list of game species.

**Status:** Petition filed March 13, 2014; certified by Board of State Canvassers on May 6, 2014.

**Contact:** Keep Michigan Wolves Protected, 5859 West Saginaw Highway No. 273, Lansing, Michigan 48917.

### III. STATEWIDE PROPOSALS FOR INITIATION OF LEGISLATION SUBMITTED TO THE LEGISLATURE

**A. NO TAXES FOR ABORTION INSURANCE:** Initiative petition approved as to form May 22, 2013.

**Purpose:** Petition proposes to create a new act to require the purchase of health care plan coverage for elective abortion to be exclusively by optional rider for which additional premium has been paid by the purchaser.

**Status:** Petition filed October 4, 2013; certified by Board of State Canvassers on December 2, 2013. After the Board of State Canvassers determined that the petition contained a sufficient number of valid signatures, the legislature enacted the proposal. See Public Act 182 of 2013.

**Contact:** No Taxes for Abortion Insurance, P.O. Box 901, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49509.

**B. CITIZENS FOR PROFESSIONAL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT:** Initiative petition approved as to form December 2, 2013.

**Purpose:** Petition proposes to amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, to authorize the legislature and Natural Resources Commission to take certain actions with respect to the designation of wolves and other wildlife species as game, and to provide for the control of aquatic invasive species, including Asian Carp.

**Status:** Petition filed May 27, 2014; certified by Board of State Canvassers and transmitted to the legislature on July 24, 2014.

**Contact:** Citizens for Professional Wildlife Management, P.O. Box 11082, Lansing, Michigan 48901.

## IV. STATEWIDE PROPOSAL PETITIONS FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE

**A. RAISE MICHIGAN:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 19, 2014.

**Purpose:** Petition proposes to amend the Minimum Wage Law of 1964 to increase the minimum wage.

**Status:** Petition filed May 28, 2014. The Board of State Canvassers denied certification of the petition on July 24, 2014.

Contact: Raise Michigan, P.O. Box 1502, Royal Oak, Michigan 48068.

### V. STATEWIDE PROPOSAL PETITIONS "APPROVED AS TO FORM" IN PREPARATION FOR CIRCULATION

**A. VOTERS FOR FAIR USE OF BALLOT REFERENDUM:** Constitutional amendment petition approved as to form February 15, 2013.

**Purpose:** Petition proposes to amend the Michigan Constitution to extend the power of referendum to bills containing appropriations.

**Contact:** Voters for Fair Use of Ballot Referendum, P.O. Box 21820, Detroit, Michigan 48221.

**B. COMMITTEE TO BAN FRACKING IN MICHIGAN:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 15, 2013; amended petition approved as to form April 17, 2013.

**Purpose:** Petition proposes to amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, to prohibit the use of horizontal hydraulic fracturing in this state.

**Contact:** Committee to Ban Fracking in Michigan, 9330 Boyne City Road, Charlevoix, Michigan 49720.

C. COMMITTEE TO RESTORE MICHIGAN'S PART-TIME LEGISLATURE: Constitutional amendment petition approved as to form February 6, 2014.

**Purpose:** Petition proposes to limit the total annual compensation of members of the state legislature, cap the maximum number of days in which the legislature may convene in regular session, and require public disclosure of certain legislative actions.

**Contact:** Committee to Restore Michigan's Part-time Legislature, Inc., 9 East Main Avenue, Zeeland, Michigan 49464.

**D. PUT THE CITIZENS IN CHARGE:** Constitutional amendment petition approved as to form February 6, 2014.

**Purpose:** Petition proposes to amend the Michigan Constitution to extend the rights of initiative and referendum to local ordinances and state and local laws making appropriations; authorize signature gathering activities in such public places as rest areas, shopping malls, and college campuses; and eliminate laws governing certain aspects of the petition circulation process.

**Contact:** Put the Citizens in Charge, 2600 West Walton, Waterford, Michigan 48329.